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AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

C O N F I D E N T I A L BUJUMBURA 0036

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDIP, US, BY, CG, RW

SUBJECT: ACCREDITATION OF U.S. MILITARY ATTACHES TO  
RWANDA AND BURUNDI

REF STATE 298973

I HAVE HOPED THAT REGULARIZED, LOW KEY, TWICE YEARLY  
MILITARY ATTACHE CONTACTS WITH SENIOR BURUNDI OFFICERS COULD  
PROVIDE USEFUL INSIGHTS INTO STATE OF THINKING AMONG  
MILITARY BACKBONE OF REGIME. HOWEVER, RECENT HINTS FROM PRESIDENT  
AND CHIEF OF STAFF MAKE IT APPARENT THAT THEY DO NOT FAVOR  
LINKS VIA MILATT UNLESS CLEAR TANGIBLE BENEFIT FOR BURUNDI  
ARMY IS IN PROSPECT (WHICH, FROM U.S. VIEWPOINT, CANNOT BE THE  
CASE). HENCE,  
WE EXPECT CURRENT STALL ON FORMAL ACCREDITATION OF DATT (COLONEL  
POWERS) TO CONTINUE INDEFINITELY, AND THIS IS LIKELY TO PRECLUDE  
EVEN TYPE OF VISIT TO ARMED FORCES DAY WHICH MAY BE FEASIBLE  
IN RWANDA (KIGALI 747). IF BY END OF JANUARY  
AS EXPECTED, WE DO NOT RECEIVE POSITIVE RESPONSE TO  
OUR NOVEMBER REQUEST FOR DATT ACCREDITATION, I WILL INFORM  
BURUNDI FONOFF THAT THEY CAN CONSIDER OUR REQUEST WITHDRAWN.  
IT FOLLOWS INEVITABLY THAT I ALSO CONCUR IN THE PROPOSAL OF  
REFTEL THAT FUTURE DATTS IN KINSHASA NOT BE ACCREDITED  
ON A NON RESIDENT BASIS TO BURUNDI.

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